

Citizens with Disabilities Advisory Committee Meeting
April 15, 2010
Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Members Present: Robert Buchanan, Marga Stone, Caren Wilson, Karen Mckenney, Patricia Kepler.

Members Absent: Tony Guillen (excused), Stan Richardson (excused), Bob Lidfors (excused), Michael Whipple, Jamie Cloghessy.

Guests: None

Committee Liaisons: Councilor Marc San Soucie, Brad Roast

Approval of the Previous Meetings Minutes: Patricia made a motion of approve the minutes of the January 21, 2010 meeting, Bob Buchanan seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Reports:

- Councilor San Soucie reported on an April 17th forum on the ‘Future for Aging in Oregon’ with guest speaker Margaret Carter, hosted by the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee. Also the City Council was to be provided with a presentation by a consultant to review an audit of the City Court system from the National Center for State Courts. The Council will have a future work session to review the information form the audit.
- Brad reported on a follow-up item for Patricia on taxi services franchise agreements, and if any exist in the City. Brad found there are none. Councilor San Soucie reported that the Council has been previously been asked to set-up some type of taxi service oversight; however, found it to be very difficult to establish such a program. Bob suggested asking the City to establish a taxi service of some type to accommodate persons with disabilities.
- Caren mentioned the recent ‘Pooch in the Park’ program sponsored by the City was well attended and included service animals on display. The Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District (THPRD) is plan a similar event called “Bow Wow Bash” to be held at the Garden Home Recreation Center on August 14, 2010 from 11:00am–3:00pm. Caren suggested this might be an opportunity for the CDAC to attend and provide information on service animals. This item will be discussed further at the May meeting.

Old Business:

- **Structure of the Committee.** In Tony’s absence, Vice-chairperson Caren Stone opened a discussion on the matrix Tony had provided from the March brainstorming session. The discussion centered on the categories: Resources, Training/Education, Communication and Do Something and the items under each category. Caren suggested the committee pick the top three items to pursue as work items for the next few months. After discussing the matrix, the committee members agreed that participating in a

disability fair, pursuing a City taxi service for disabled citizens, and participating the THPRD 'Bow Wow Bash' and the City's 'Picnic in the Park' to promote disability awareness and service animals.

- Review of Work Plan. This was part of the above discussion.
- Mental Health Client Training (future).

New Business:

- Patricia announced that Washington County's Disability Committee has previously hosted disability resource fairs (usually held in October). The County does not want to be the primary for future fairs and is seeking other groups to assist in hosting the event. This year's fair is scheduled for October and could be held in Beaverton. The fair usually has 70-80 vendors who pay about \$25.00 to participate. Patricia suggested this was in concert with the work plan and matrix to participate in outreach and disability fairs. Publicity and program coordination would be part of hosting the event. Patricia suggested inviting Cindy Wilkins who has participated in past events to come to the next meeting to discuss what would be needed from the CDAC. The members agreed. Patricia will contact Cindy and invite to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: May 20, 2010